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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to express my feelings in regard to the recent settlement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. I am a staunch supporter of Microsoft, and I feel this settlement is fair and reasonable. After three years of court battles, I would truly like to see this dispute resolved.

This settlement contains provisions that are beneficial to the entire technology industry. Under this agreement, Microsoft must design future versions of Windows to make it easier to install non- Microsoft software. Microsoft must also disclose information about certain internal interfaces in Windows. With all of this, Microsoft has even agreed to be monitored during this entire process to make sure that they are following procedure.

In my opinion, Microsoft and Bill Gates have contributed positively to our economy and country. During these difficult times, one of our highest priorities should be to improve our lagging economy. Allowing Microsoft to devote its resources to innovation, rather than litigation, will help our economy a great deal. Thank you for your support.

*Wallace Zernich, MTS*  
Sincerely,